GENEALOGY & LOCAL HISTORY

NEWS AT THE ROUND ROCK PUBLIC LIBRARY

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AncestryPlus is here!

Including U.S. Census Images!!!!

AncestryPlus is the library version of the popular Ancestry.com. AncestryPlus is an online subscription service that provides users access to over 3,000 searchable databases. Part of this collection includes the United States Federal Census images from 1790-1930. This database is accessible only with a valid library or Texshare card from the library's Internet computers.

Searching the Databases

AncestryPlus databases can be searched using the allencompassing "super search" located at the top of the page. This search is titled "Find Your Ancestors Now!" Using this search can most often return an overwhelming number of hits. This can be especially frustrating when using the library computers where you are limited to 75 minutes. To reduce the number of hits, try the advanced search. With this search, you can limit the number of hits returned by entering year ranges, country, state, record type, keywords, or word proximity. You can also request a search done with the exact spelling of the

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1930 census is here!!!

Microfilm for Williamson and surrounding counties are available

The 1930 census was opened to the public on April 1, 2002. The Round Rock Public Library System has the nine reels covering central Texas. These reels also have other counties on them. In all, the nine reels represent 24 Texas counties. The microfilm is located in the black microfilm cabinet in the genealogy area. To view the microfilm, we have 1 microfilm reader and 1 microfilm reader/printer. Copies are .10/each.

1930 Texas Counties Available

T626-2290Bandera, Bastrop, & Bell (part of)
T626-2291 Bell (part of) & Bexar, San Antonio (part of)
T626-2303 Burnet, Calhoun, Camp, and Caldwell(part)
T626-2369 LaSalle, Lee, Lipscomb, & Lavaca
T626-2376 Medina, Menard, Midland, Milam (part of)
T626-2377 Milam (part of), Mitchell, Mills, & Montague
T626-2401Tom Green(part of), Wheeler, & Travis(part)
T626-2402 Travis (part of)
T626-2411 Willacy & Williamson

Williamson County Records on Microfilm

The library has 23 reels of Williamson County Records on microfilm. For complete list of Williamson County Records on microfilm, see page 4. A print copy of the reels available for Williamson County, including those in this library, can be found on top of the microfilm cabinets. These records were microfilmed at the county courthouse in the 1970's. As part of the State Library's County Records on Microfilm program, the complete set of Williamson County microfilmed records is available for viewing and interlibrary loan from Baylor University in Waco, which is one of several depository libraries for county record microfilm throughout the state. For more information about this program and an index of county records on microfilm, please see

http://www.tsl.state.tx.us/arc/local/index.html.

For information about borrowing county record microfilm

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name or a search for the Soundexed surname.

Databases can also be searched by record type. There are 10 record types in *AncestryPlus*. These are: census records; biography & history; immigration records; birth, marriage, & death records; court, land, & probate records; military records; reference & finding aids; directories & memberships; periodicals & newspapers; and community.

Another way to search through the databases is by location. Look on the right side of the screen and you will see the "Search by Location" Box. You have the choice of U.S. Records or U.K. & Ireland Records. Click on one then you will be taken to the first state or country alphabetically. For the U.S. records, this is Alabama. From this page, you will see a map on the left side. To choose a different state, click on a state from the map or use the pull down menu right below the map. For each state or country, you are given four sets of data: databases, sources, how-to's, and maps. On the top layer, you will see a listing of databases. The tabs for the other data are located at the top of the database listing. Each option will give you pertinent information relevant to that state or country.

Using AncestryPlus' Census Images

Viewing census images from the comfort of one's home or library is one of the most exciting things to have happened in genealogy in years. But there are some things to remember when using Ancestry's census images. For all the census years except for 1930, there is no quick way to print your census images. One option is to "print screen" your images and then paste onto Word and then you can save to your disk or print. For library computer users, this means you have to open up Word before you get on the Internet. Once on the Internet, you will not be able to open up Word. The 1930 census has come out with wonderful buttons that let you easily save or print. Also, there are not indexes for all census years. There are census indexes for 1790-1850 and 1920. 1860 has a partial index. The 1930 census is indexed for only Delaware, DC, Utah, & Maine at this time. That leaves 1870-1910 with no Ancestry index that leads you straight to the images. HeritageQuest Online, which I will mention later, does have the 1870 census indexed and linked to images. Genealogy.com, which the library does not have, has the 1900 census indexed and linked to images. AncestryPlus does have many other census indexes as part of their database offerings.

When searching through not only the census but other databases as well, keep in mind the human factor and the mistakes that we humans can make. If you are interested in learning more about this database, think about signing up for our next class, *Using AncestryPlus*, on Monday, September 9, 6:30-8:30pm. To register, call 218-7000.

Access HeritageQuest Online's Census Images from Home!

1000's of Genealogy titles available

With your current library or Texshare card, you can access the HeritageQuest Online database from home along with many, many others. HeritageQuest Online consists of thousands of family histories and local histories in full-text images. This database of over 7.5 million fully searchable pages has resources on all 50 states as well as on Canada and the British Isles. The titles come from UMI's Genealogy and Local History Collection available on microfiche and some large genealogical libraries, like Chicago's Newberry Library. Titles continue to be added each month. Also, available are census images and index for the years 1790, 1800, 1810, and 1870. To access this database, go to the library's home page at: http://www.ci.round-rock.tx.us/library/library.html. Click on "Database & Websites." Then, click on "Subject Guide" and pick "Genealogy, History, & Biography." Look down the list of available databases to HeritageQuest Online. With this database you can print, download, or e-mail information found. For your convenience, there is a green folder on the microfilm cabinet that contains many, many of the titles available on each state. If you are interested in learning more about this database, consider signing up for our next class, Using HeritageQuest Online, on Monday, September 16, 6:30-8:30pm. To register, call 218-7000.

Other useful databases available from home

ArchiveUSA Search through the holdings of over 5,400 US archival libraries.

Biography & Genealogy Master Index This database indexes over 1,000 biographical publications.

Texas Digital Sanborn maps Fire insurance maps **OCLC-Biography Index**

WorldCat Check here to see what libraries may have a copy of that title you are looking for.

EBSCO-Masterfile Premier periodical articles

InfoTrac Newspapers Full-text for the last few years on many papers including those from Austin, Houston, Atlanta, and others. **Books in Print** Do you want to see if a particular title is still in print and available for purchase?

Ulrichsweb Do you want to know if there are any periodicals published on a given subject?

Texas Almanac; World Almanac

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

FOR MORE DETAILED INFORMATION SEE

http://www.ci.round-rock.tx.us/library/genealogy/events.html OR

EACH SOCIETY'S WEBSITE.

AUSTIN GENEALOGICAL SOCIETY'S ANNUAL SEMINAR

NORRIS CONFERENCE CENTER, AUSTIN, TX SATURDAY, AUGUST 24, 2002 8:30-4PM Speaker Jonathan Galli

POINT POTLUCK WITH JONATHAN GALLI

ROUND ROCK PUBLIC LIBRARY, ROUND ROCK, TX SUNDAY, AUGUST 25, 2002, 1-4PM Come visit with fellow Italian researchers and listen to Jonathan Galli speak on his Italian research experiences.

CENTRAL TEXAS GENEALOGICAL SOCIETY, INC. ANNUAL SEMINAR

BELLMEAD CONVENTION CENTER, WACO, TX
SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 7, 2002, 9-4:30 PM
Featured speakers are Pat Gordon & a NARA representative

SAN ANTONIO GENEALOGICAL & HISTORICAL SOCIETY ANNUAL SEMINAR

Woodland Baptist Church, San Antonio, TX Saturday, October 19,2002 Featured speaker is Sandra Luebking

DINNER ON THE GROUND AT SHILOH-MCCUTCHEON CEMETERY

SHILOH-MCCUTCHEON CEMETERY, NEAR HUTTO, TX
SATURDAY, OCTOBER, 19, 2002- 4-6 PM
FOR MORE INFORMATION ON THE DINNER OR THE CEMETERY,
PLEASE CONTACT FAYE ELDER AT ELDER@WTEX.NET

TEXAS STATE GENEALOGICAL SOCIETY 42^{ND} Annual Conference

HOTEL GALVEZ, GALVESTON, TX
FRIDAY & SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 1 & 2, 2002
Featured speakers are John Philip Coletta, Kim Morton,
Martha Everman Jones, Albert Seguin Gonzales, J.B. Kline, &
Victor Lang.

through the States' program, please see, "How to Borrow Local Records on Microfilm" at

http://www.tsl.state.tx.us/arc/local/loans.html. You may also want to talk with Chip Hadley, who handles the library's interlibrary loan services. Chip may be contacted by phone at 218-7009 or by email at chadley@round-rock.tx.us.

The Tennessee Collection

There are five Tennessee counties represented: Greene, Humpherys, Jefferson, Montgomery, Perry, and Stewart.

There are about 47 reels of Tennessee County records on microfilm in the genealogy collection. There are five Tennessee counties represented: Greene, Humpherys, Jefferson, Montgomery, Perry, and Stewart. The Greene County records in the collection consist of 6 reels with marriages from May 1780-March 1914, County Court Minutes from 1812-1819, settlements from 1802-1857, and deed books 31 & 32 with an index for all 32 volumes. The 5 reels in the Humpherys County records include deeds from 1810-1844, and various wills, tax books and vital statistics. There are 13 reels of Jefferson County records. These include: Chancery Court minutes from 1836-1880, Circuit Court Minutes from 1844-1865, Direct & Reverse Deed Indexes, Settlements, Guardians, Misc., Index to Wills, and Minutes. The 7 reels of Montgomery County records on microfilm include deeds from 1786-1854 and minutes from 1805-1822. The 5 reels of Perry County records on microfilm include minutes from 1854-1904, index to deeds 1841-1843, and survey books & land entry books from 1820-1878. The Stewart County records on microfilm consist of 12 reels. The records cover minutes from 1821-1840, settlements from 1812-1814, deed index 1800-1847, deeds 1796-1897, and a trust deed index from 1814-1866.

Other Microfilm in Collection

The genealogy collection also has various census microfilm from 1830-1920. There are many states represented in the reels available. There is Williamson County Census microfilm for every census year from 1850 to 1930. The collection has the complete census reels for Texas in 1850 and 1870. The Round Rock Leader newspaper from 1975-present, except for 1993 is on microfilm. There are also 30 reels from the Sons of the Republic of Texas. For a complete list of all the microfilm in the collection, go to http://www.ci.round-rock.tx.us/library/genealogy/microfilm.html or look in the white genealogy catalog binder on top of the microfilm cabinet.

List of Williamson County Records in Library

Reel Number Title

977919 Index to Deed Record Direct 1883-1887; Reverse 1848-1877 977920 Index to Deed Record Reverse 1877-1883: 1883-1887

977921 Index to Deed Record Direct 1848-1883

977922 Deed of Trust Indexes v.1 1880-1915; v.2 1916-1926

977923 Probate Minutes Index v. - to v.109

1007899 Marriage Record Index 1914-1925:

Marriage Records 1850-1860, 1860-1868

1007900 Marriage Record 1868-1872, 1866-1867, 1872-1878,1879-1885

1007901 Marriage Record 1885-1888, 1888-1892

1007902 Marriage Record 1893-1895, 1895-1898

1007906 Naturalization Index 1857-1933

Minutes of Final Naturalization 1892-1903, 1904-1906

1008755 Marriage Record Index 1848-1898, 1898-1914

1578013 General Index to Birth Record v.1 1903-1916; v.2 1917-1941

1578014 Register of Births 1873-1876 Birth Recs v.1 1903-1904; v.2 1905-1907; v.3 1907-1909; v.4 1909-1917 (part)

1578015 Birth Records v.4 (cont) 1909-1917; v.5 1917-1927; v.6 1925-1932; v.7 1933-1943

1579017 Birth Certs. (delayed) 1960-1964; Death Records 1903-1951

1579018 Marriage License Index 1925-1942 Marriage Record v.16 1916-1919; v.17 1919-1921 (part)

1579020 Marriage Records v.20 (cont) 1928-1929, v.21 1929-1931,

v.22 1931-1934; Index to Soldier & Sailor Discharge Records v. 1 1919-1946

1579575 Soldier & Sailors Discharge Records v.1 1918-1942, v.2 1918-1945 Probate Minutes v.27 1918-1919(part)

1579667 General Index to Deeds 1885-1890, 1890-1894, 1894-1900, 1900-1904 pg. A-H

1602097 General Index to Deeds 1900-1904 (cont) pg. I-Z; Deed Record v.40 1886-1887, v.41 1885-1887, v.42 1886-1887(part)

1605054 Deed Records v.3 (cont) 1862-1870 General Index to District Court Minutes #1-800: Dist Court Civil Case Papers 1848-1861

1617210 Petition & Record of Naturalization v.6 (cont) 1925-1927, v.7

1927-1929; Medical Register 1907-1973Index to Probate Cases 1848-1938 Probate Case Papers A1-B20 1848-1878

1617214 Probate Case Papers Nos. 100-125 1848-1878 General Index to Civil Minutes County Court 1876-1911 RRPL Genealogy & Local History News is published four times a year to promote the genealogy & local history collection and to increase awareness of useful genealogical and historical resources inside and outside the collection.

The Genealogy Collection

The genealogy collection at the Round Rock Public Library continues to grow with materials added by both the library and the Williamson County Genealogical Society. The collection is located on the 2nd floor and is available for use anytime the library is open. There are some helpful binders on top of the microfilm cabinets that contain listings of all materials in the collection. Come by and see what is available. The library's genealogy website is http://www.ci.round-rock.tx.us/library/genealogy.html Look on the website for current events in genealogy, the latest acquisitions to the collection, genealogical Internet links, as well as a listing of CDs, microfilm, and periodicals in the collection. The genealogy & local history librarian is Elizabeth L. Johnston. Her hours are Sunday 1-5pm, Monday 3-9pm, & Saturday 9-2:30pm.

Williamson County Genealogical Society

Next meeting: September 12, 2002 in library meeting room A 7:30pm

Topic: Using AncestryPlus More Efficiently, presented by Elizabeth L. Johnston,

RRPL genealogy & local history librarian

NEWS BITES

Inter-library Loan

To borrow materials through this service, you must have a Round Rock library card. The user pays postage one way along with any other fees that the lending library may have. Many Historical Societies and some State Libraries will lend microfilm to libraries. If you are looking for genealogy books, check with the St. Louis County Public Library (MO) and the Mid-Continent Public Library (KS). Each has large genealogy collections that can be borrowed through interlibrary loan. For more

information on libraries and societies that loan materials, contact Elizabeth Johnston, genealogy librarian, eiohnston@round-rock.tx.us. For more information on the inter-library loan service, contact Chip Hadley at chadley@round-rock.tx.us.

Donations

Consider the genealogy & local history collection when culling through your personal collection of genealogical materials. Items donated will help many others and are tax-deductible. Contact WCGS' Joanne Percy at (512) 863-2434 or dottiecat@thegateway.net or Elizabeth Johnston at 218-7006 or ejohnston@round-rock.tx.us.

Genealogy Classes

The library's September genealogy classes take place in the computer training room on the 1st floor. Call 218-7000 to register. For more information, contact Elizabeth Johnston at ejohnston@round-rock.tx.us or 218-7006.

Saturday, September 7, 10-12 noon Genealogy Websites for Beginners

Monday, September 9, 6:30-8:30 Using AncestryPlus

Monday, September 16, 6:30-8:30 Using HeritageQuest Online